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A LITTLE LIGHT LITERATURE
ON HIGH LIFE

TELLING HOW TO GET OFF THE EARTH
AND HOW TO GET ON AGAIN

INCLUDING MUCH EXCELLENT ADVICE ON HOW AND WHEN TO FALL, WHERE TO ALIGHT, COMPLETE LIST OF OFFICIAL HOSPITALS OF THE AERO CLUB, ETC.,

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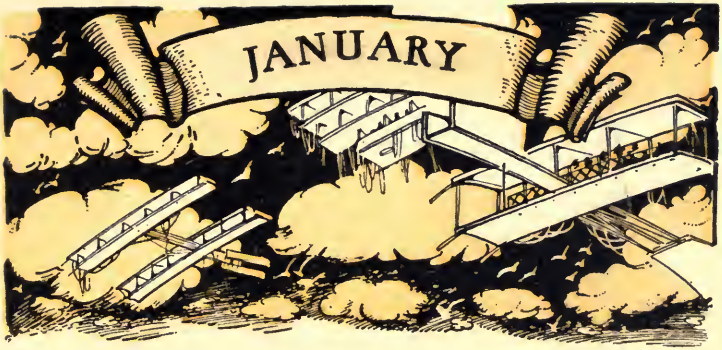
WE ARE UP IN THE AIR ABOUT THIS BOOK

because such a flight of fancy is apt to be handicapped by a ballast of fact that may prevent a successful sale. Again, just to pick a few similes that seem appropriate we are forced to hesitate as it seems hardly desirable to say the Airship Almanac is like a balloon and will go up, or like an aeroplane and will fall flat. And yet if it falls flat it will go up. Should any reader be taken into the clouds, by either text or illustrations, our purpose will have been fulfilled if they find a few linings of silver laughter.

THE PUBLISHERS.



RULES OF THE AIRWAY

New York—Fly high.

Philadelphia—Fly slowly.

Chicago—Side-step.

Boston—Put on the Ibsen clutch.

Pittsburg—Any way to soot.

Washington—Lower the grabhooks.

New Orleans—Speed up to Creole pace.

St. Louis—Fill Tanks.

Galveston—Shoot up.

Hot Springs—Stop for repairs.

San Francisco—Keep to the right.

Two wrongs don't make a right, but two Wrights made a dandy aeroplane.

Never name an airship "Grace". You are more apt to fall from it.

The Air Ship Almanac

(Interesting letter written in the year 1909, now on file at the National Museum of Aeronautics.)

July 22, 1909.
Wrightville, O.

Messes Willful and Orful Wright,
Parris, Franch,

Surs:

When you wrote me from Parris to come and lease your farm I thought it was as good as it was when I saw it last Spring and so I come. I find you have changed it some.

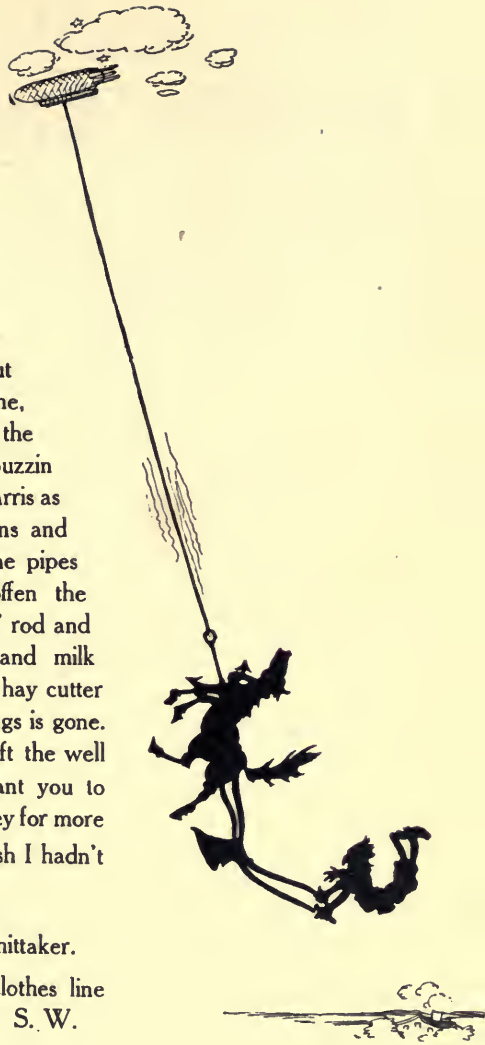
I find, to wit: you took the cog wheels offen the mowing machine and it won't cut hot butter; to wit: you took the sukshen pipe out of the pump and I have to walk half a mile to the creek for water; to wit: thear ain't no barn doors, Bill Johnson says you made arrerplain wings of 'em; to wit: I can't keep the winders up as you took the waits and roaps out of 'em, Bill Johnson says for ballast; to wit: you took the stanchon posts out the tie-up and I have to hitch the stock to trees in the orchard, thank God you left the trees; to wit: I can't plow because you sawed the handels offen the plow, Bill Johnson says to steer your jigger with; to wit: we ain't had no butter, you took the gear chain out of the churn; to wit: when I went to go to church I found you took them rubber

rimmed wheels offen the best buggy; to wit: thear ain't no harness big enough to hitch up a cat as you cut 'em up for straps; to wit: evvery teeth is pulled out the rakes, Bill Johnson says for strut pins; to wit: the hay caps is gone, I suppose for sales; to wit; the wood saw motor I suspect is buzzin around Ruu dee Boloon in Parris as I ain't seen it; to wit: the fans and the chains and the gears and the pipes and other truck is took offen the windmill; to wit: the lightenin' rod and wether vain and boot jack and milk stools and snow shovels and hay cutter and severil hundred other things is gone.

As near as I can see you left the well and granite door steps. I want you to send them things back or money for more or else I will sue you. I wish I hadn't leased your farm.

In haste,
Samuel Whittaker.

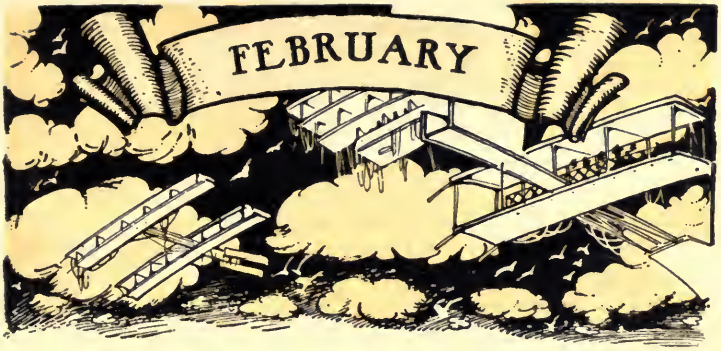
P. S.—Maria wants her clothes line back. S. W.



JANUARY ENGAGEMENTS

A dip in time saves a collision.

Be sure you are Wright, then go ahead.



FROM "ARCHIE THE AVENGING AVIATOR"

CHAPTER XXVXI

"Boom!"

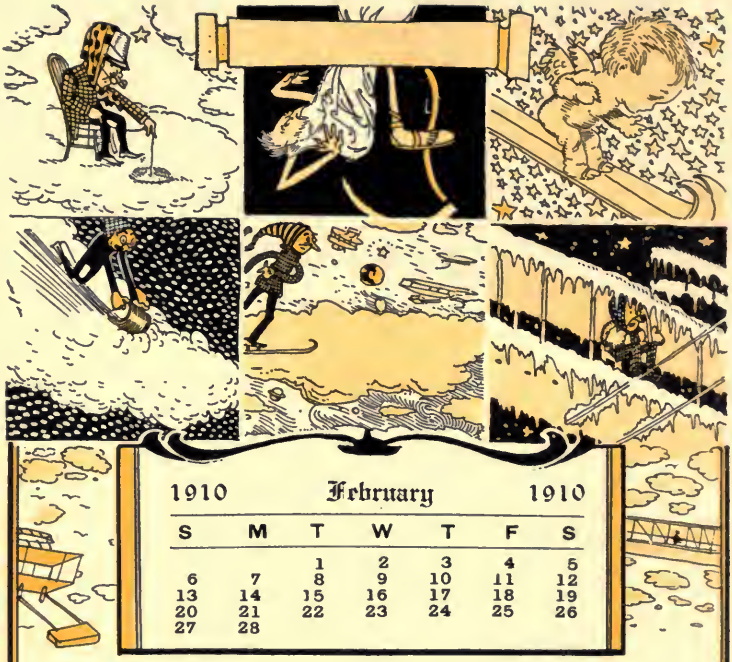
Archie's airship was blown from under him by Dark Dan, his enemy, who dropped the lyddite from above. In an instant Archie was falling to the earth, 10,000 feet below.

But our hero was undaunted. Taking a folding antiseptic drinking cup from his vest pocket he tore it open with his teeth and made a parachute.

His descent was stayed. Clinging by his teeth to his improvised parachute, our hero then hastily constructed a motor from the works of his Ingersoll and in another minute he was giving chase to Dark Dan.

Circling above him he stopped his motor and descended with great rapidity upon Dark Dan in his airship, his feet striking the desperado square in the face and hurling him into space.

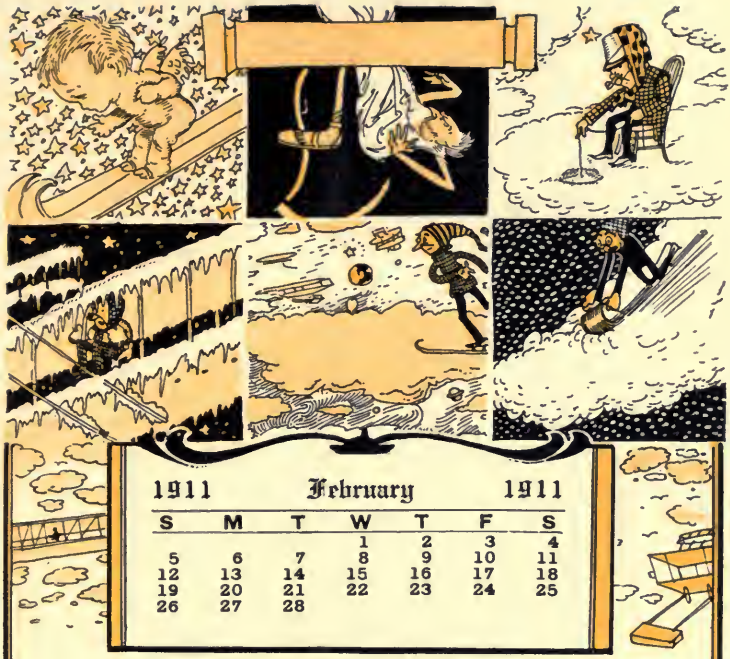
Jumping to the pilot house Archie soon had the airship in control. He descended rapidly, overtook Dark Dan before he fell upon the crags and soon had him in irons in the ballast room.



IMPORTANT!

When you are about to make an ascension, never fail to hang this notice in a conspicuous place in the basket:

"DON'T BLOW OUT THE GAS!"



Children, don't tease airship inventors to hurry their ascensions. Think what happened to the children who taunted Elisha by saying, "Go up, thou old bald-head".

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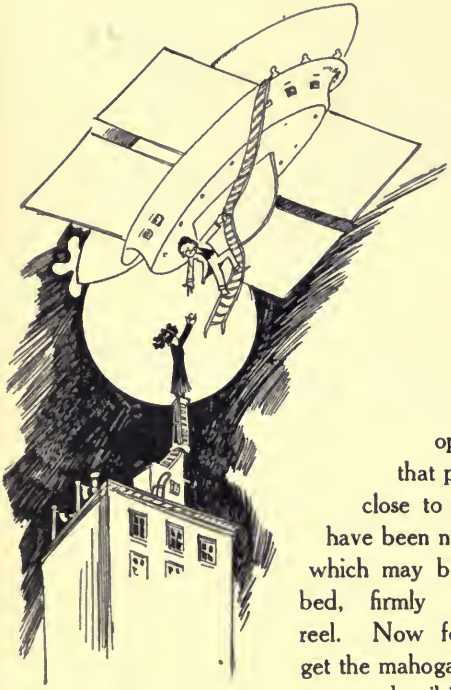
(Boys' and Girls' Department)



AN ELOPEMENT IN HIGH LIFE —ABOUT 1915

HOW TO BUILD AN AIRSHIP

Take mother's clothes reel, spread it out wide open and nail it securely in that position. Saw off the pole close to where the spreading arms have been nailed down. Tack sheets, which may be secured from mother's bed, firmly over the arms of the reel. Now for a seat in the center; get the mahogany tabouret from the front room and nail it firmly in the middle of the reel.

Next go to your little bank and shake it vigorously until you have secured $100 worth of pennies. Invest these in toy balloons which any street fakir will sell you with sufficient urging. Now tie these balloons to the frame of the reel and you will have an airship that will fly as well as thousands upon which inventors have spent a fortune.

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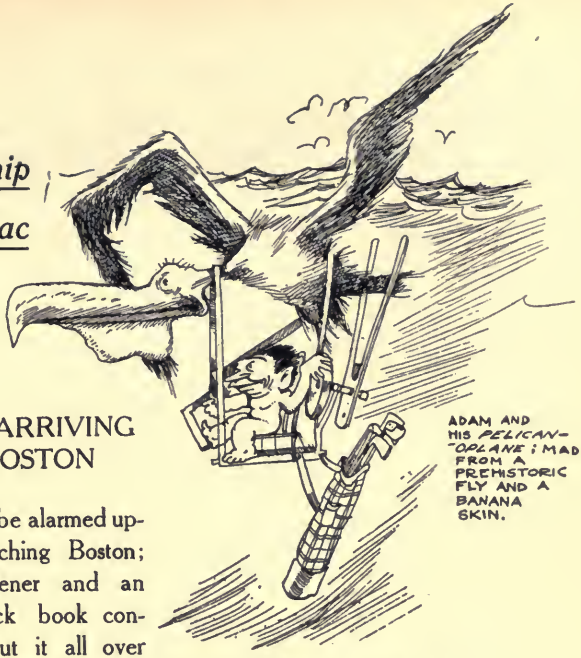


ADAM AND HIS *PELICAN-OPLANE*; MADE FROM A PREHISTORIC FLY AND A BANANA SKIN.

UPON ARRIVING IN BOSTON

Do not be alarmed upon approaching Boston; an eye-opener and an active check book continue to put it all over spectacles and a studious expression, even on Beacon Street.

When you land on the Common make a noise like a vacant seat in an elevated train and the populace will rush to greet you. Inquire the nearest way to the South Station by trolley, subway, or elevated cars and the populace will tear its hair and hurry away weeping bitterly.

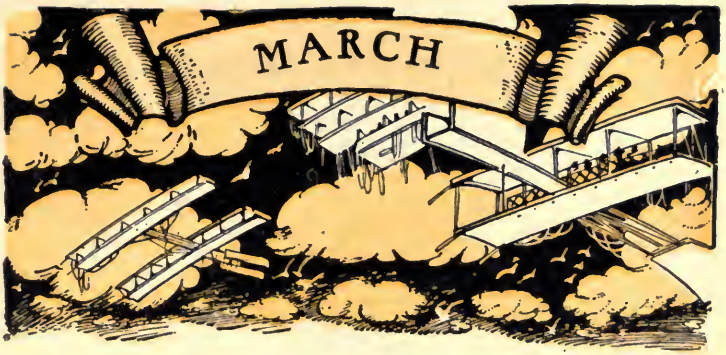
If your tanks are low fill them before 11 p.m. for the police commissioner reigns and the semi-colon law still lives.

Points of interest include New Messina in the North End, Blue Stockings in the Back Bay, Red Sox at the Huntington avenue grounds, the Forty Thieves in the South End, the Law-makers on Beacon Hill, millionaires in Brookline and a million heirs in the suburbs.

FEBRUARY ENGAGEMENTS

When calling on Saturn, ring once.

Yes indeed, Willie, there is more doing in a night along the "Great White Way" than there is in a century along the milky way.



CLASSIFIED ADVERTISEMENTS

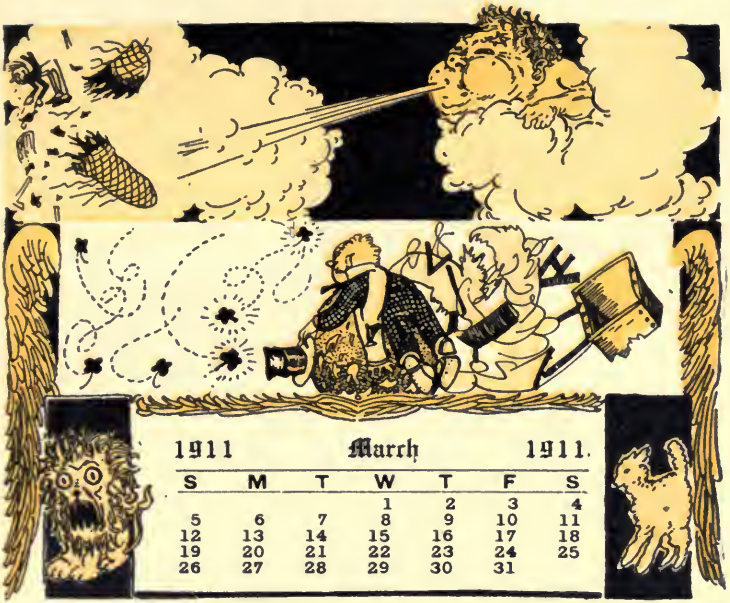
NURSE used to high levels wanted to care for sufferer from nervous disorders. Must keep patient in cabin as he has St. Vitus Dance. Dr. Hifee, 93847 Well St., Phila.

NOTICE—Aeroplanes, aerostats, aerodromes and airships for sale at less than one-half cost. Former owners accidently left them in mid-air. Gluemup & Selumm Company, 2323 Broadway.

HANDS, arms, feet, legs, noses, ears and other parts of the anatomy replaced by our artificial sections. Why give up aviation when we can keep you in missing limbs regardless of your accidents? Fittumout and Patchemup Company, 7263 Market street, San Francisco.

WINGS! WINGS! WINGS! Our assortment would turn the angels green with envy. Half the aeroplanes in the atmosphere are flapping our wings. The Fly Company, New York, Boston and Chicago.

"Aristotle," sneered the aerodromist as he hooked his grappling iron to a corner of Venus, "or whoever it was said, 'hitch your wagon to a star,' thought he was setting an impossible stunt," and he laughed as he stepped out to stretch his legs.



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Ladies with any degree of modesty will always descend head-first when falling from an airship.

When sailing over a picnic party empty the contents of a sand bag on their spread and hear them grind their teeth.

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A FLY COP

AERIAL CHRISTENING

(From the Daily Dirigible.)

Joseph J., infant son of Joseph P. McSoarley, was christened on the 10,000 foot level over Hoboken yesterday forenoon, the Rev. Fr. Sullivan officiating. It was the first christening above the 5000 foot level on record in this section of the sky.

A 150-foot Waters Homeodrome was used, Father Sullivan arriving in his private avianauter and departing after the ceremony, as the altitude was too much for him. Some forty guests made merry during the remainder of the day, the festivtiies reaching such a height that three trips from a fly cop were necessary to warn the party to cease dropping hampers and bottles overboard.

Only one accident marred the whole proceeding. During the merriment the infant, Joseph J., was carelessly dropped overboard by the nurse who was affected by the rarity of the atmosphere or something.

LITTLE DROPS

Little drops of water,
Little grains of sand,
Make the foolish planet
That we call the land.

Once we used to dwell there
With the greatest pride,
Now we dwell above it,
And over it we glide.

Little drops of water
Should not be despised,
As a motor cooler
They are greatly prized.

Nor should we be scornful
Of the grains of sand,
They make corking ballast
To
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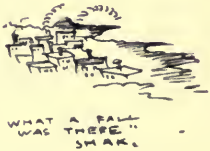


MARCH ENGAGEMENTS

Peary would make a splendid aviator — he gets up in the air so easily.

A Cook in the kitchen is worth two at the pole.

MR. SHAKESPEARE REGARDING AVIATION

And then it started like a guilty thing upon a fearful summons. —*Hamlet, Act 1, Sc. 2.*

How weary, stale, flat and unprofitable seem to me all the uses of the world.—*Hamlet, Act 1, Sc. 2.*

I do not set my life at a pin's fee.—*Hamlet, Act 1, Sc. 4.*

O Hamlet, what a falling off was there! — *Hamlet, Act 1, Sc. 5.*

For 'tis the sport to have the engineer hoist with his own petard. —*Hamlet, Act 3, Sc. 4.*

Sits the wind in that corner? — *Much Ado About Nothing, Act 2, Sc. 3.*

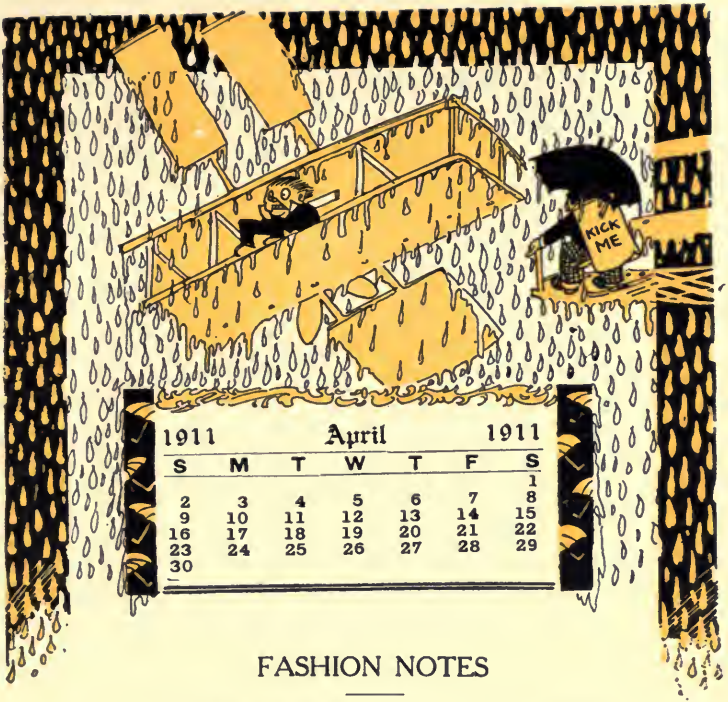
I'll put a girdle round the earth in forty minutes.—*Midsummer Night's Dream, Act 2, Sc. 2.*

Blow wind, come wrack, at least we'll die with harness on our back.—*Macbeth, Act 5, Sc. 5.*

With busy hammers closing rivets up, give dreadful note of preparation.—*King Henry V, Act 5, chorus.*

FASHION NOTES

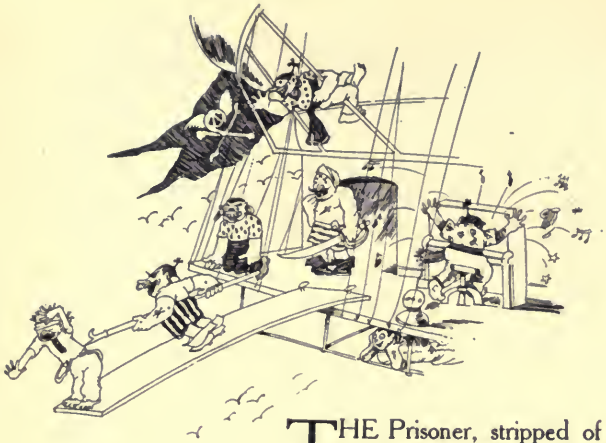
The Parachute hat, an exact duplicate of the far famed Merry Widow hat worn so many hundred years ago, has saved thousands of lives where accidents have spilled the wearers from their aerial vehicles.



FASHION NOTES

Pegasus purple is much worn by poetesses in their flights of fancy.

If Pittsburg is in your itinerary you will find a costume of smoke gray absolutely necessary.



THE Prisoner, stripped of his money and other valuables, was led forward blindfolded to the plank that slanted upward and outward from the side of the ship.

"Walk!" thundered Captain Skidd, covering the unfortunate with his automatic, Maxim-silenced revolver.

Step by step the poor devil tottered up the plank and with a despairing cry fell, whirling over and over, into twelve thousand feet of space between the airship and the earth.

Hoisting the black flag Captain Skidd ordered the "Vulture" to descend to the commercial level in search of mailships while the villianous crew riotously sang the following:

"O we are full of mirth
As we sail above the earth,
For there's booty ev'rywhere
To be plucked from out the air!"

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I'LL PUT A GIRDLE
ROUND THE EARTH
IN FORTY MINUTES.
MID SUMMERS NIGHT'S DREAM.

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Folding and extension cabin, accommodations for a house party of 24.

Equipped to remain at an altitude of 38 miles for a period of five years without repairs.

Instantaneous evaporator, will fill any bath tub in eight minutes if there is a cloud within a thousand miles.

Cold storage plant and vegetable cellar with a food capacity for 20 adults for five years.

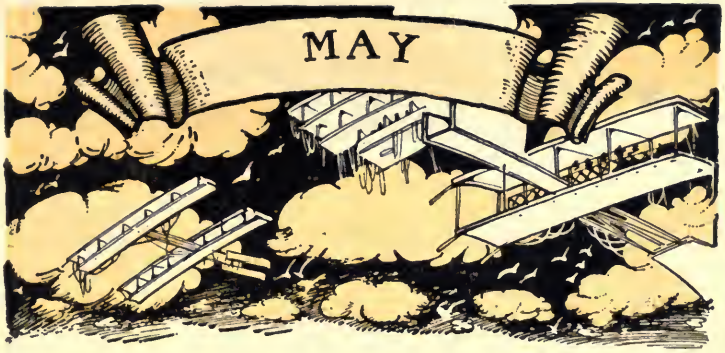
Why live on earth and be bothered with help? Dwell in our "Skihi" airships and your cook cannot leave.

Price f.o.b. $35,000.

APRIL ENGAGEMENTS

EQUILIBRIUM—The easiest part of an airship to lose.

FRONT RUDDER—An arrangement that gives an aeroplane a head and tail on the same end.



MENU AT THE 1000th ANNUAL BANQUET OF THE INTERNATIONAL AERO CLUB

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Consumme a la cloud

Spiced Matterhorn moss — Dirigible radishes

Broiled fresh flying fish

Aerial fried potatoes — Roof-raised cucumbers

Anchor-killed beef, roast en voyage

Marcoroni au Dumont — Potatoes a la propeller leaf

Altitude andhive — Table-land asparagus

Roc egg salad

Aerodromated cutlets

Broiled flying squirrel — Skylarks, en brochette

Vaporized ice cream — Tetrahedral cakes

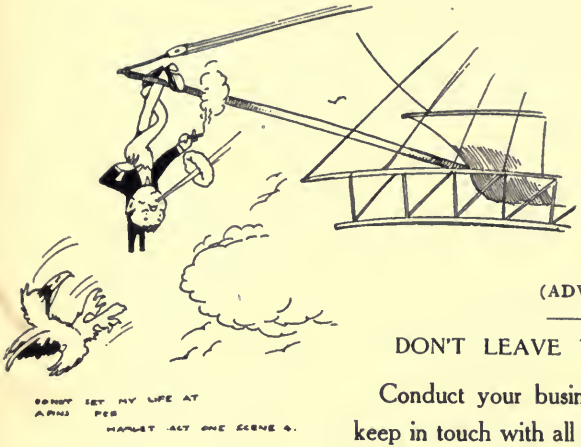
Assorted aeronuts — Rudder cheese and pilot crackers

Liquid air — Constellation coffee

High balls

Modern names for boys—Dartleigh, Sailbert, Wingfred, Aerodick, Skieul, Airry, Motorson.

Modern names for girls—Aerolla, Dromedella, Sailyss, Whirrieve, Flysis, Spinetta, Wingeurite.



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THRU PITTSBURG

HELP!! POLICE!! NEXT STOP IS PITTSBURG!

When, at the altitude of a mile, you observe something that has the appearance of a colored gentleman hiding in a ton of coal, you have located Pittsburg. Heaven help you.

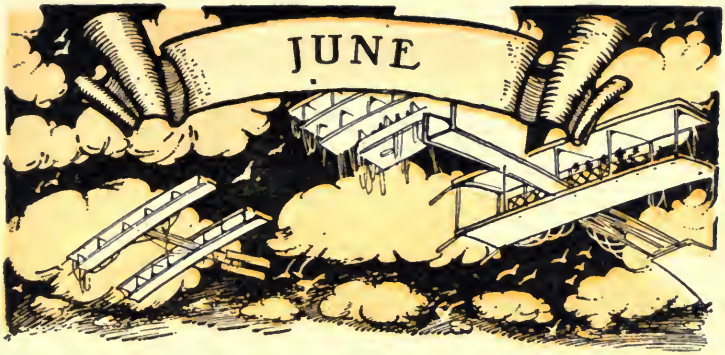
Use extreme caution in approaching this city, adjust your smoke filters and spray your motor with "extra dry" or any handy liquid to prevent the soot from clogging the mechanism. After taking these precautions do not visit the city at all unless on urgent business.

By means of dynamite you can force an opening in the smoke sufficient to effect a landing. Make a noise like at least $10,000,000, or no one will hear you. After you have finished your business with the steal industry get out of town and take three baths.

MAY ENGAGEMENTS

"I hate a man who builds his fame
Upon the wreck of an aeroplane."

"You may break, you may shatter the bag if you will,
But the scent of the gases will cling to it still."



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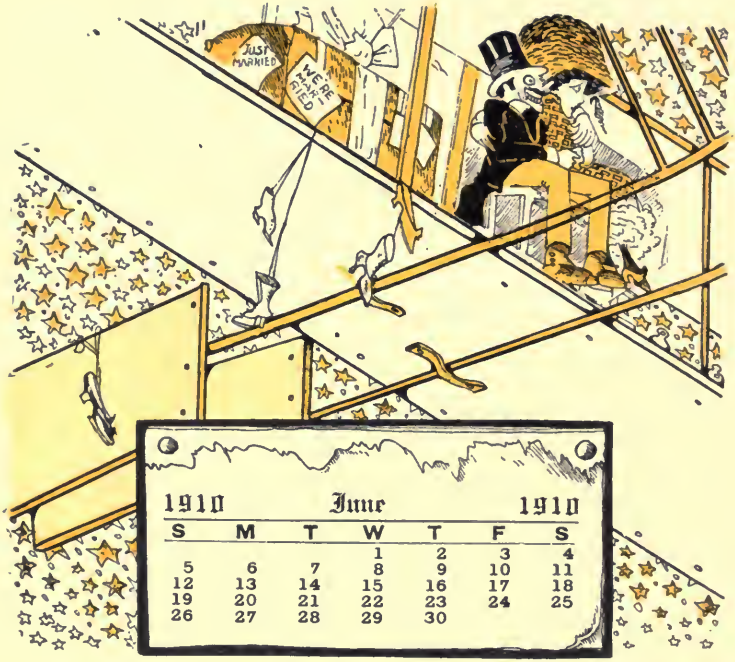
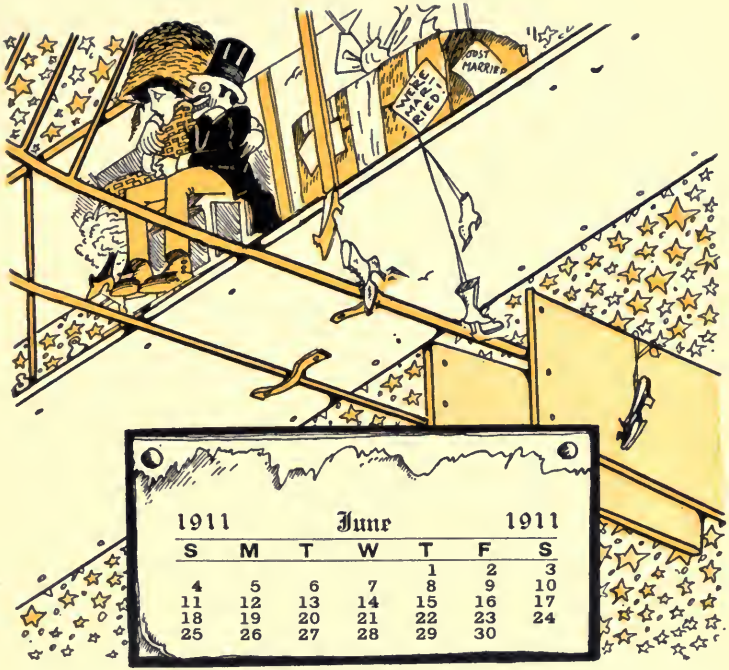


An inventor there was from N.Y.
Who emitted a joyful cry;
"My airship" said he,
With manifest glee,
"Is perfectly safe—it won't fly!"



There was a young dame in Nev.
Whose biscuits got har. and har.
When she wanted to fly
With an aeronaut nigh
Her husband refused to ret.

OFFICE WORK IN 2909 A.D.

Perkins, at his desk, picked up the small disc of his wireless aurovoyantophone and pressed button number 573625. Instantly he beheld the smiling countenance of Wicks, cashier of the Pittsburg International Bank.

"Hello, Mr. Perkins, how are things in New York?" asked Wicks.

"Busy just now; show me my balance sheet, please," replied Perkins.

Wicks turned to the ledger, found the page and held it up to the aurovoyantophone for Perkins to scan.

"Three hundred and eighty-nine thousand," said Perkins, reading the figures, "I will send my aeroplane over in thirty minutes, kindly send back $200,000 in bills of large denomination; good bye."

Perkins dropped the aurovoyantophone disc carelessly into a drawer in his desk and stepped into the telepathic booth.

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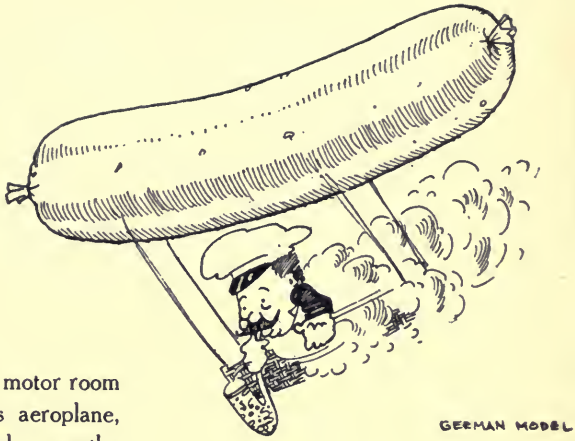


(Office Work — Continued)

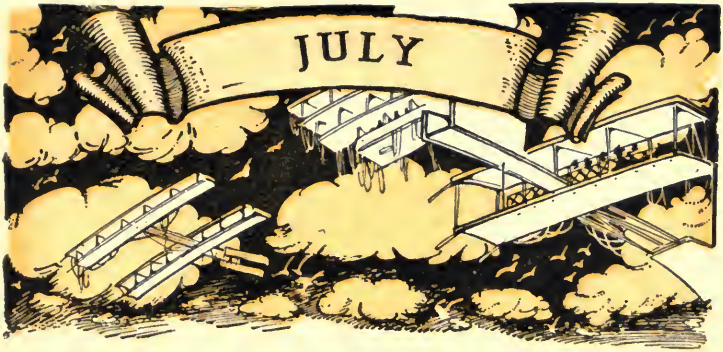
Fixing his mind steadily on the errand he sent a telepathic message to the motor room and pilot cabin of his aeroplane, tugging at its stay clutches on the roof. Then he pressed the release button and the huge ship of the air was off, alone and unaided by human being. Thirty minutes later Wicks buzzed the aurovoyantophone disc and Perkins opened the drawer and took it out; when he looked in the disc he saw Wicks count out the money, nodded that it was correct, traced his signature with an ivory point on an electricized copper plate and thus flashed his receipt to Wicks.

Another thirty minutes and a bell sounded in the telepathic booth, announcing that the aeroplane had returned and was automatically clutched to its moorings on the roof of the eighty-eight story office building. Perkins sent his clerk to the roof and in three minutes more had the cash on his desk.

JUNE ENGAGEMENTS

The operator of an airship lies in a "cradle"; hence the saying, "It is but a step from the cradle to the grave."

"I've got the drop on you!" hissed the villian, as his airship crashed into the home of his hated rival.



CLASSIFIED ADVERTISING

FOR SALE — 2001 model airship, 8 staterooms and dining saloon, in best condition. Cost $34,000; will sell for half. Reason for selling, owner walked off upper deck in fit of sonambulism while on 7000 foot level. Address Estate A. Sleeper, 2837 Fifth avenue, City.

TO LET — Brand new aeroplane, never used but once. No offer refused. Considerable repairs necessary. Address, G. Wattersite, Massachusetts General Hospital.

INFORMATION WANTED concerning dark green 250-foot skyplane, last seen on racing level 300 miles south of New York. Aviator, Clarence Swift; had for companions thirty chorus girls from the *Pink Goat Co.* If found, arrest Swift and hold girls for instructions from Morris Leverlanger, Marvelous Theatre, N.Y.

Little Willie—
Aeroplane—
Now his flights
Are not mundane!

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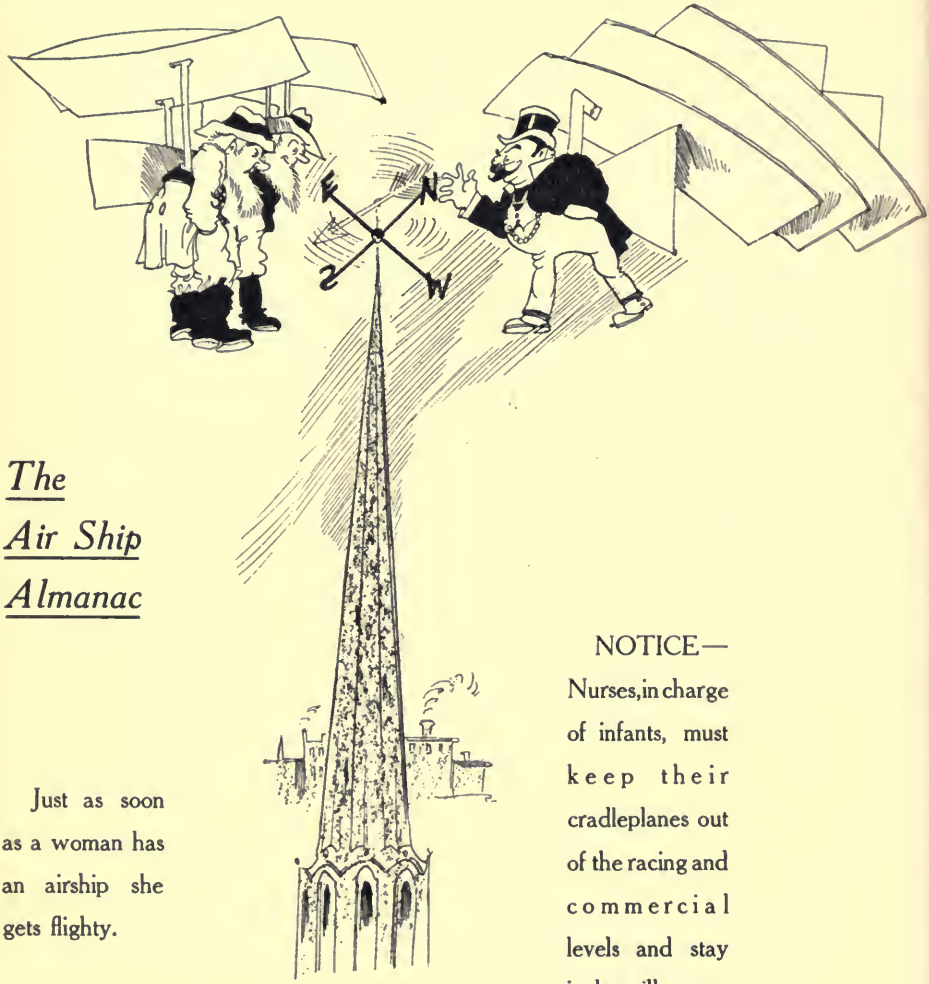
Drop, drop, drop, on thy cold gray crags,
Oh sea,
And I would that my hands could
pluck
The cog-wheels jabbed in me!



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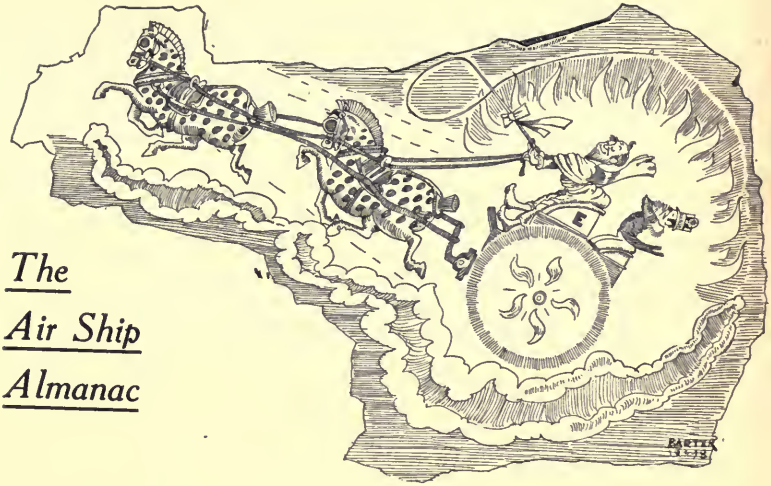
Just as soon as a woman has an airship she gets flighty.

NOTICE—

Nurses, in charge of infants, must keep their cradleplanes out of the racing and commercial levels and stay in the milky way.

WHAT LETTER DO YOU PICK GENTS — WHAT LETTER —



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The first record of an aerial disaster was when Elijah's chariot burst into flames and he was lost to sight.

POE'S RAVING

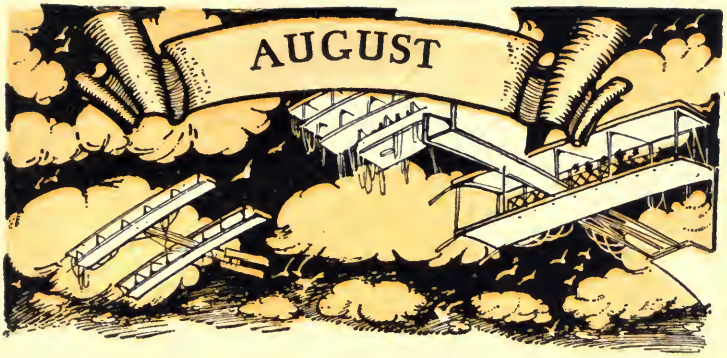
Edgar Allan Poe sat down wearily at his desk on the other side of the Styx and reached for a pen. "I must hurry," he sighed, "or they will get ahead of me; they have parodied everything else," and he frantically dashed off the following:

Feel the stillness of the air—
Upper air!
What an awful lot of it seems to be everywhere!
How the whirring, whirring, whirring
From the slanting aeroplane
Is occurring and recurring
While the senses are a-stirring
Up the wheels within the brain;
Keeping time, time, time,
In a sort of aerial rhyme
To the tintinnabulation of the mechanism rare
In the air, air, air, air,
Air, air, air—
From the whizzing, sizzing airship in the air!

JULY ENGAGENENTS

"The aviator's motto—Upward and onward!"

A stitch in time saves the gas bag.



AERIAL LUNCHEON

Groggsby suddenly felt the need of lunch as he was taking a constitutional in his little runabout aerostat and he directed his course to Sherry's, where he hung motionless 3000 feet above.

With a few deft touches of his wireless key he connected and ordered "Aerial Combination Lunch No. 4". He waited impatiently, perhaps five minutes, when a bright red and green aerial dumb waiter shot upward with splendid adjustment and clamped itself on the starboard rail of his car.

Setting his rudder for circling, he enjoyed his lunch while riding slowly around Manhattan Island, above all smoke and gases. Having finished, he placed the change in the dumb waiter and sent it back with such accuracy that it automatically clutched the landing plane on Sherry's roof. Refreshed by this, Groggsby took a spin to the Yosemite Valley and was back on Fifth Avenue in time to dress for the aerial opera.

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Mary had an aeroplane,
She smashed it on a weather-vane.
When they came to help her forth
Her head was South, her feet were North.

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There was a young man from St. Jo
Who puttered for two years or so
On an aeroplane;
And he near went insane
When he found the durn thing was a
complete success!

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IDENTIFICATION BRACELET

Something new! Something ornamental! Something useful!

Comes in solid gold and heavy plate. Plain or jewel studded.

Prices range from $6 to $600.

Wear Scrapemup & Plantem's identification jewelry.

With one of these bracelets the wearer may fall a thousand feet or a thousand miles and always be certain the indestructable bracelet will preserve intact the victim's name and address, so that however mangled he may be, his people may be notified.

Where a large number of people fall together, all wearing these identification bracelets, the remains are equally divided, according to the number of bracelets.

Both stylish and useful—Should be in every family.

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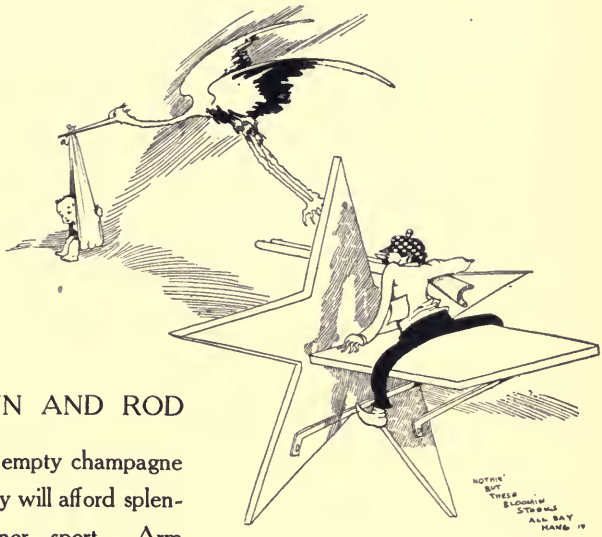


WITH GUN AND ROD

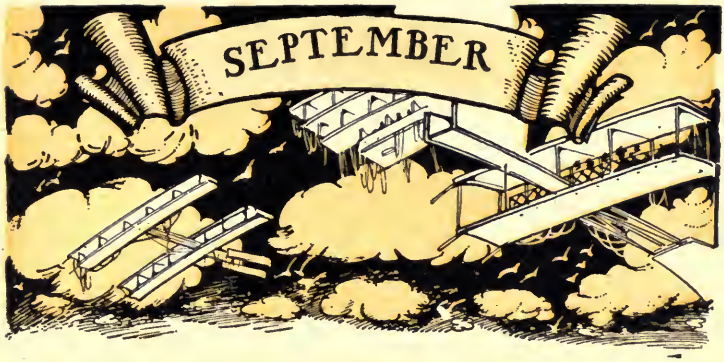
Save your empty champagne bottles, as they will afford splendid after-dinner sport. Arm each member of your party with a dozen of these empty bottles and station them at the guard rails. Take a sail over country fields until you have started a rabbit, then give chase. A prize should be offered the guest who first disables the rabbit.

Aviators just in from the Bermudas report splendid sport at this season fly fishing for flying fish. The best success is obtained by keeping the aeroplane at an elevation of about 100 feet from the water and using an eighty-foot silk line with artificial bait.

AUGUST ENGAGEMENTS

Birds of a feather continue to put it all over airships.

Nowadays a man can get "up in the air" without being angry.



HOW THE AIRSHIP CAME DOWN AT LODORE

You have heard how the water
  Came down at Lodore,
And how the poet sorter
  Described its grand roar,
But I'll bet that you never
  Heard verses before
That told how the airship
  Came down at Lodore.
    It was high o'er Lodore that we first saw it soar,
    Twas shooting and scooting and swinging and winging
    And swerving and curving and sliding and gliding,
    Cavorting and snorting
And fizzing and sizzing and whizzing
And humping and jumping and thumping
And shrieking and squeaking and leaking
And clapping and slapping and flapping
And whanging and banging and clanging,
Quivering, blithering, shivering,
Till it slid over rocks with multiple shocks
And stuck in the mud with a thud!

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"They say Willie Jones is a regular mollycoddle."

"So? Why do they say that?"

"Oh, he persists in hanging about the milky way all the time."

"Well, even that is better than MacSouse does."

"What does he do?"

"He keeps tanked up all the time."

"How does he manage it?"

"Sticks close to the big dipper."

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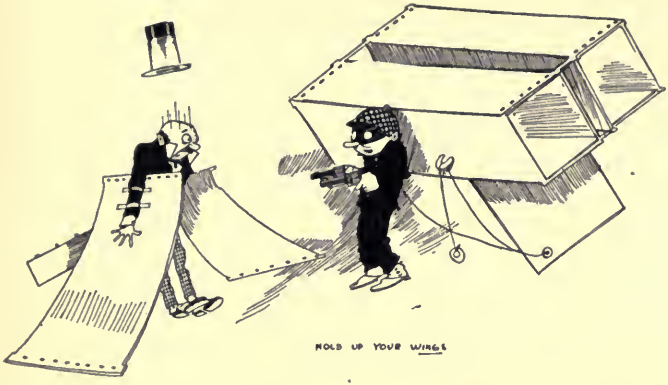
A book of verses underneath the
prow,
A speedometer, case of wine and
thou
Beside me helping steer the
aeroplane
And aeroplanes were paradise
enow.



ON BLOWING INTO CHICAGO

When you blow into Chicago tell the people they have got New York skinned, pressed and canned when it comes to being a sizable city. This will make you solid anywhere from Dearborn street to Michigan avenue.

When talking about aviation discuss distances in yards; they understand it better there, and beside, they are a bit touchy in the matter of feet.

Knock New York when shy of a topic for discussion, but steer clear of the famous bull about "the pace that kills is Swift." It isn't necessary to raise the wind in Chicago, but when leaving the city see that the wind is in the right direction or you will find it goes horribly against the grain to bump into the mammoth elevators.

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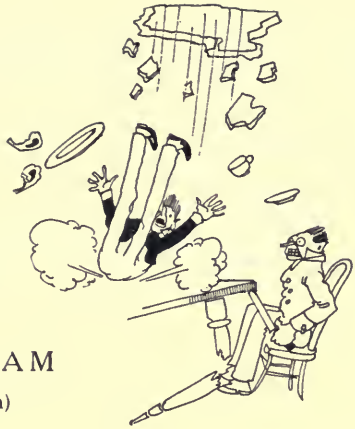

EVENING SCREAM

(Extra Fudge Edition)

Horrible accident!

Harvey Stone, the ossified man, falls from his aeroplane on the 9000 foot level and crashes through the Homestead Hotel, killing thirteen and injuring forty-one.

Mr. Stone all broken up over the affair.

Scriggs and his wife were continually quarreling. For this reason the guests at Cloudhurst paid little heed to a series of ear-piercing screams above them. The Scriggs airship soared away unnoticed, the screams increased; two black forms came whirling into sight and landed with the customary sickening thud on the asphalt driveway.

"Mercy, what was that?" inquired a newcomer at the hotel.

"Oh, don't notice that," said Mrs. Chatter, "its only Scriggs and his wife. They've had another falling out."

SEPTEMBER ENGAGEMENTS

"Yes, Willie, they used to make light of electric currents, but air currents are lighter."

By all means avoid a collision with the dog star; it will prove Sirius.

NOMENCLATURE OF AIRSHIPS

Chinese—Aerojunk.
Indian—Canoeoplane.
Egyptian—Galleydrome.
Norwegian—Airski.
German—Flierwurst.

When starting on an early trip, take a "Skylark."
When starting on a peaceful errand take a "Dove."
When coming from the opera take a "Night-hawk."

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Smithers and his wife were taking a spin over Sandy Hook when he fell from the ballast box. Their aeroflier continued out to sea with his wife at the wheel. Fifteen minutes later the Evening Scream had the following paragraph in its "Wireless Gossip":

"It is reported on good authority that Henry Smithers, the banker, and his charming wife, have separated."

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FENDERS

Something new! Soft & Eezy's body fenders, covered in all materials, can be readily attached, come in three pieces. Send for our booklet of testimonials from users who have fallen from one to three thousand feet while wearing our fenders and escaped without a scratch.

Soft & Eezy Co., Bounce Avenue, Corner Skid St., N.Y.

(From the Seriphos Signal, June 27, 1287 B. C.)

YOUNG PERSEUS MAKES RECORD BREAKING FLIGHT

Residents of our quiet island of Seriphos are considerably interested in a successful sandalplane flight accomplished last Thursday by Perseus, son of Danae and foster son of Dictys, brother of His Royal Highness, King Polydectis. He was last seen about 3000 feet above the sea flying in a northerly direction and it is hoped the intrepid young aviator will be picked up by some passing galley.

His Royal Highness, who snubbed Perseus at his last court function, intimated the plans were stolen from Hermes, the Argus slayer, or that Perseus actually used the same sandalplanes Hermes used as messenger on Olympus. However this may be, he is the first of the mortals or semi-mortals to make successful flight, and deserves credit. It is said Pallas Athene is backing him.

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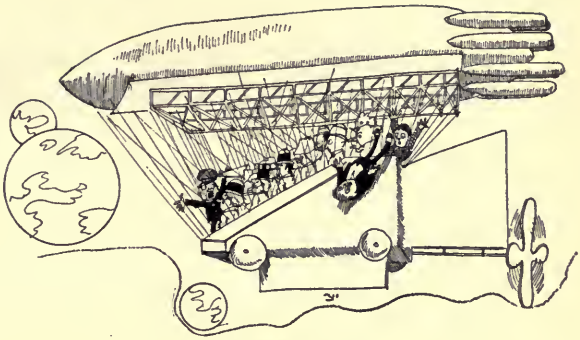


Sight-seeing Airship

"Why are airships so expensive?"

"Well, you see, they come high—"

And the next day they called it justifiable homicide.

"Mercy, what is Mrs. Jones doing, pushing her children off the roof?"

"Yes, she has put them in flying machines."

"Ah, teaching her young to fly."

"Get off the earth!" yelled the multitude.

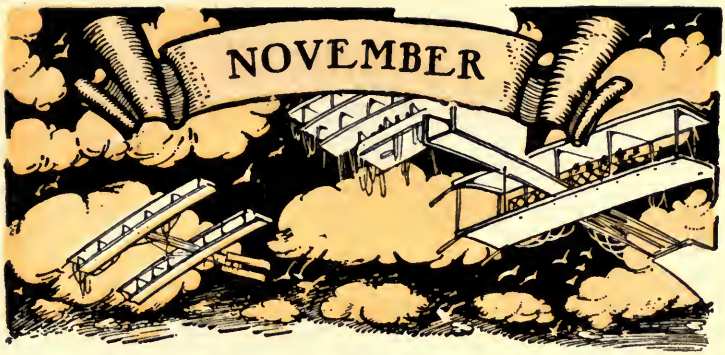
Sadly the man with flowing beard and flapping bathrobe stepped into his aerodrome and scooted.

"Alas" he sighed, "there is no rest for me, for I am the Wandering Jew."

OCTOBER ENGAGEMENTS

A bird in the hand breaks no aerial records.

When on an airship honeymoon don't quarrel; a falling out would cheat the divorce court.



THE FLIGHTY DAMOSEL

The Flighty Damosel looked out
From Aeroplane at even;
When she set sail that happy morn
'Twas little more than seven,
And now, away above the clouds,
'Twas night and past eleven.

The Flighty Damosel, she sighed
Among the stars that even;
The miles between her and the earth
Seemed to be quite eleven;
"My goodness, ain't it hell" quoth she,
"Up here so near to heaven!"

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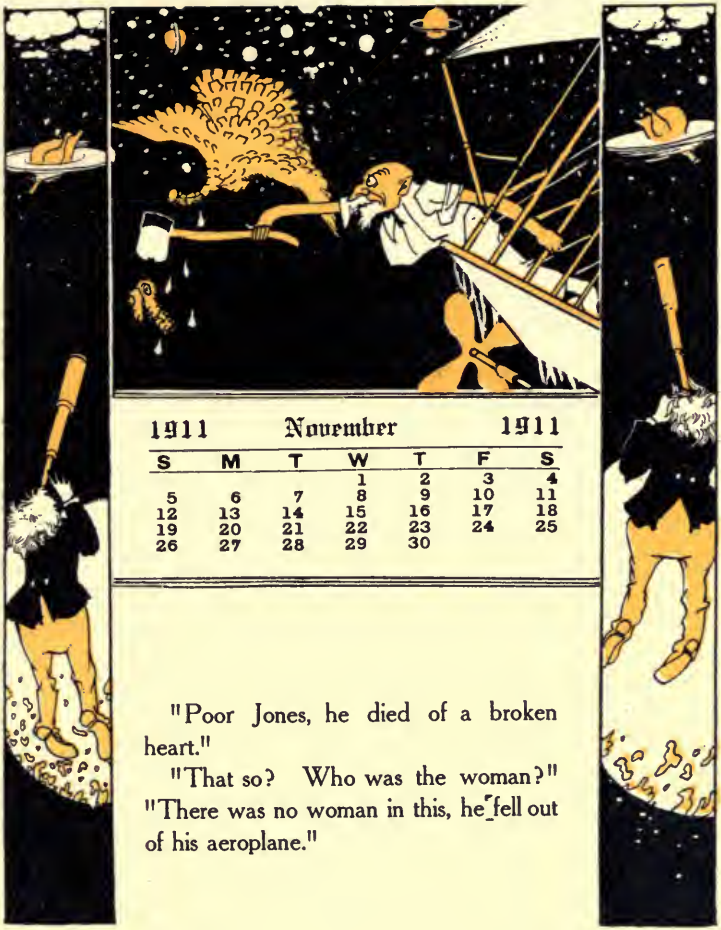
"Love will find a way."

"How is that?"

"Young MacSpoon and Miss Sweetly are in their aerostats over there behind that cloud, making violent love."



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"Poor Jones, he died of a broken heart."

"That so? Who was the woman?"

"There was no woman in this, he fell out of his aeroplane."

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AERIAL COURT NEWS

IN the Aerial Session of the Citizen's Court this morning, T. H. McHurry was fined $100. for careless fastening of his under hatch, as it became loose and fell through the forward wing of Hon. John Goldstein's new $80,000 Touaerist.

William Crookes, alias Clarence Hantz, alias H. K. Larkin, was sentenced to eight years on terra firma for the theft of Miss Flurry Upper's shopping car, a 2908 model Winger which she left unclamped on the roof of the Reegal-Hooper Store.

Charles Mercury Smith was deprived of his license as public aviator this morning by Judge MacSoar after being

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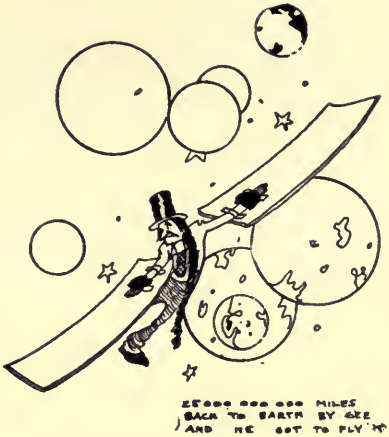

COURT NEWS

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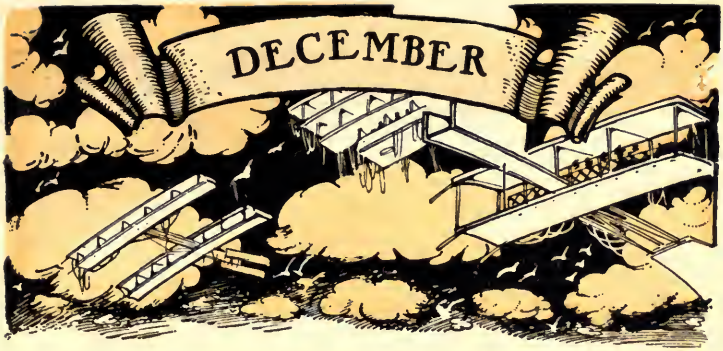
found guilty of running his "See-the-Constellations" car without tail lights and on the commercial level where he blocked several aerial freighters for nearly seven minutes.

NOVEMBER ENGAGEMENTS

It doesn't necessarily follow that a flighty person makes a good aerial navigator.

It's an ill wind that blows no one's balloon.



MODERN CHRISTMAS LULLABY

Place the yule log on the hearth,
Sing, for there is joy on earth;
  Santa's coming, bye and bye
  When the Sand-man's closed your eye,
He's started from his Northern home
With his pack and aerodrome.

Patersmith walked down town to his office.

"Gasodrome out of commission, sir?" asked his head clerk.

"It is" he snorted, "my son Willie detatched the gas bag from the condensing tank and hung the bag on the mantle in place of his stocking!"

AIRSHIPS AS GIFTS FOR THE FAMILY

For father—Cashoplane.
For mother—Stylodrome.
For big son—Flyodame.
For big daughter—Manostat.
For Willie—Aerogame.
For Susie—Dollosail.
For uncle—Buffetdrome.
For aunt—Gossiplane.
For the minister—Halodrom.
For the doctor—Curoplanee.
For the lawyer—Feeostat.

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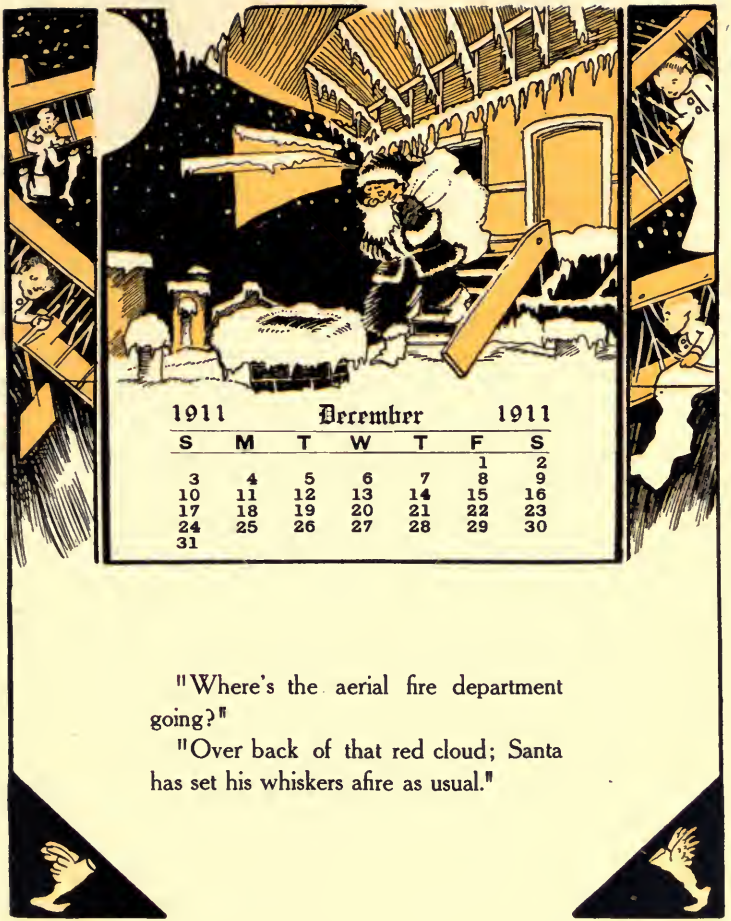
"What's the matter with Younghub, he looks terribly ill?"

"No sleep. His duties as air pilot keep him up all day and his baby keeps him up all night."



"Where's the aerial fire department going?"

"Over back of that red cloud; Santa has set his whiskers afire as usual."

ON WHIZZING INTO NEW YORK

Watch your airship when in the vicinity of Wall street as they are always taking fliers down there.

See that the body of your car is well draped unless you are certain Anthony Comstock is out of town or busy sorting over a new batch of foreign souvenir post cards.

To secure theatre tickets drop a ballast bag of sand on a speculator and rob him before he revives. If the play proves an "average New York success" your punishment for maiming the speculator will be greater than you deserve.

Make a noise like a gas rebate and be popular.

If you wish to leave New York—and you will—explain that you are broke and they will speed you on your way.

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GLIDING INTO PHILADELPHIA

Should be done with great caution.

Oil up the mechanism of your monotonyplane. If it squeaks you will be shot (with noiseless powder and a Maxim silencer) at sunrise for creating a disturbance. A good landing place is just beyond the breaknoise built to keep the sound waves from washing the silence away.

Name your monotonyplane the "Biddle" and you will be welcomed by the "Oh Hush" quartette and the city's quietest people, who are naturally the classiest there.

If you want your name in the papers consult a journalist; there are no reporters in the town as reports are not permitted. Go as far as you like providing it is in your stocking feet. Scandals are suppressed because the residents dislike to have anything noised about.

DECEMBER ENGAGEMENTS

Flying machines lay no eggs.

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